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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Top-Level Talks

RUSSIA'S unsatisfactory reply to the Western Powers' invitation to hold four power foreign ministers talks can be expected to harden the State Department's dislike of and opposition to the proposal that President Eisenhower, Sir Winston Churchill, Mr. Malenkov and M. Laniel should meet for informal discussions on East-West disagreements. The Washington advisers doubtless will point to the Soviet note as but another indication that the Russians lack good intentions and have no real desire to help solve the many complex international problems of the present moment. It is a point of view, however, which is by no means accepted elsewhere. India has now thrown in her support for Sir Winston Churchill's idea which he advanced several months ago and it certainly retains substantial backing within the British Commonwealth. Even in the face of what has been described as "Soviet reticence" it is a proposition which should not be irrevocably rejected.

**OPPOSITION** to the Churchill proposal principally expresses itself in doubts as to whether anything positive would result from a top-level conference. Obviously there could be no guarantee, but does this justify abandonment of the project? Sir Winston Churchill has made it clear that he does not expect the world's problems to be solved and all differences of opinion between the Western Allies and Russia to vanish as a result of such a meeting. But he does believe, and many share his confident expectation, that a much better understanding of differing viewpoints could be obtained from informal talks between the world's four principal leaders and that some fundamental agreement on the approach to international problems could be reached. Sir Winston envisages man-to-man talks and through them the removal of suspicions and complexes which to date have hindered progress towards a settlement of international controversies. A widespread belief exists that there is much more to be gained than lost in holding top-level Big Four discussions.

## Death Of Dr Ernst Reuter

Berlin, Sept. 29. Professor Ernst Reuter, the Lord Mayor of West Berlin who led the city through the Soviet "blockade" of 1948-49, died here suddenly tonight. He was 64.

Here Reuter returned last week-end from a conference of West German Mayors in Hamburg, where he was elected President of the Mayoral Association.

Today it was learnt that he was suffering from bronchitis, which he was believed to have contracted as a result of his trip to and from Hamburg.

Doctors advised him to spend a few days in bed. His sudden death at 1800 hours was believed to have been caused by heart failure.

Immediately the news became known, German radio stations switched from light programmes to solemn music, interrupted only by a special news bulletin with the announcement of Mayor Reuter's death.

### STaunch SUPPORTER

To the Western Allies Herr Reuter was known as a staunch supporter of a united and free Europe. To the Communists he was a "warmonger, murderer and fascist," and a "branch manager of Wall Street."

He was wounded in 1917 and taken prisoner by the Russians. He became an active member of the Bolshevik Party and was chosen by Lenin as the first Peoples Commissar of the Volga Germans.

Stalin was his immediate superior, as Commissar for Nationalities.

Six months later, Herr Reuter left the Communist Party and joined the German Socialists. By 1933, when Hitler came to power, he was Mayor of Magdeburg.

In 1935, after having been twice put into a concentration camp, he fled to Britain through Holland.

Then for 10 years he worked in the Turkish Civil Service Academy at Ankara.

After the war he returned to Germany and became a personality respected throughout the West for his defiant speeches as Mayor of Berlin in the face of the Russian blockade of Berlin in 1948.—Reuter.

# LAUNCH SHELLING: BRITISH PROTEST REJECTED

## Peking Govt Claims RN Craft Made First Attack

London, Sept. 30. Communist China has rejected a British protest against the shelling attack on the motor launch P 1323 about 25 miles northwest of Hong-kong on September 9, the New China News Agency said today. The Communists also charged that the British "gunboat" first made a "surprise attack," the Agency said.

## Cairo Trial Drama: Resignation Of Lawyer

Cairo, Sept. 29. The attorney appointed to defend the former Premier, Abdel Hadi, charged last week by the Naguib government with crimes against the State, resigned today.

The attorney, Mustafa Mares, said he had to withdraw from the case because he was unable to do his duty.

Mares resigned this morning shortly after trial opened before the all-powerful three-man Revolutionary Tribunal. After 15 minutes of brisk exchanges with the Tribunal President, Colonel Boghadi, and the prosecuting counsel, Lt. Col. Mohammed Tobely, Mares asked to withdraw.

"I am completely helpless," he said.

He complained to the Court this morning that he had been "imprisoned in his work because he was unable to examine all relevant documents. He also charged that Abdel Hadi has not been interrogated before he was tried."

Colonel Boghadi, banging his fist on the table, replied to this: "This is a revolutionary tribunal. It is generous on our part to allow defendants to appear here and engage lawyers to defend them."

"Would you like us to follow the example of other countries?" he asked. "In other countries?"

—United Press.

The Chinese rejection was contained in a letter sent yesterday by Mr Chang Han-fu, Vice-Foreign Minister, to the British Charge d'Affaires in Peking, Mr H. Trevelyan, in reply to the British protest of September 12.

Six members of the British naval crew and a British observer aboard were killed when the British launch was hit by fire from a Communist patrolboat.

The Chinese note, in declaring that the British protest was "unacceptable," lodged in turn China's "strong protest" with the British Government against the British launch's "provocations and surprise attack," and against the alleged shelling of the Communist patrol vessel by two British Mosquito fighter-bombers.

The Chinese note said the Communist patrolboat was sailing in waters within the mouth of the Pearl River southwest of Inner Lin Tin Island, when it sighted "an armed gunboat, displaying no national flag, sailing towards it."

The note said that the gunboat—which subsequently turned out to be British—made no reply to the "patrolboat's inquiries, made through international signals."

**FIRE INTO AIR**  
It continued: "In view of the fact that pirate vessels have long harassed waters in that locality, the patrol vessel of the Navy of the Chinese People's Republic fired three shots into the air warning the said gunboat to come to a halt."

The gunboat not only disregarded warnings but on the contrary rushed provocatively at the patrol vessel; the patrol vessel of the People's Republic of China again fired two shots into the air to give a warning. At that moment the said gunboat launched an attack upon the patrol vessel of the People's Republic of China, firing more than ten shots at it."

The note said that the Communist boat then "fired back in self defence."

The Chinese letter then charged that two Mosquito bombers, "definitely identifiable as belonging to the British Government," first dived and strafed at the Chinese patrol vessel "within the mouth of the Pearl River" and then intruded above Lin Tin Island a few minutes after the launch incident occurred.

The planes, the note said, flew away after the island's air defence units had fired "warning shots."

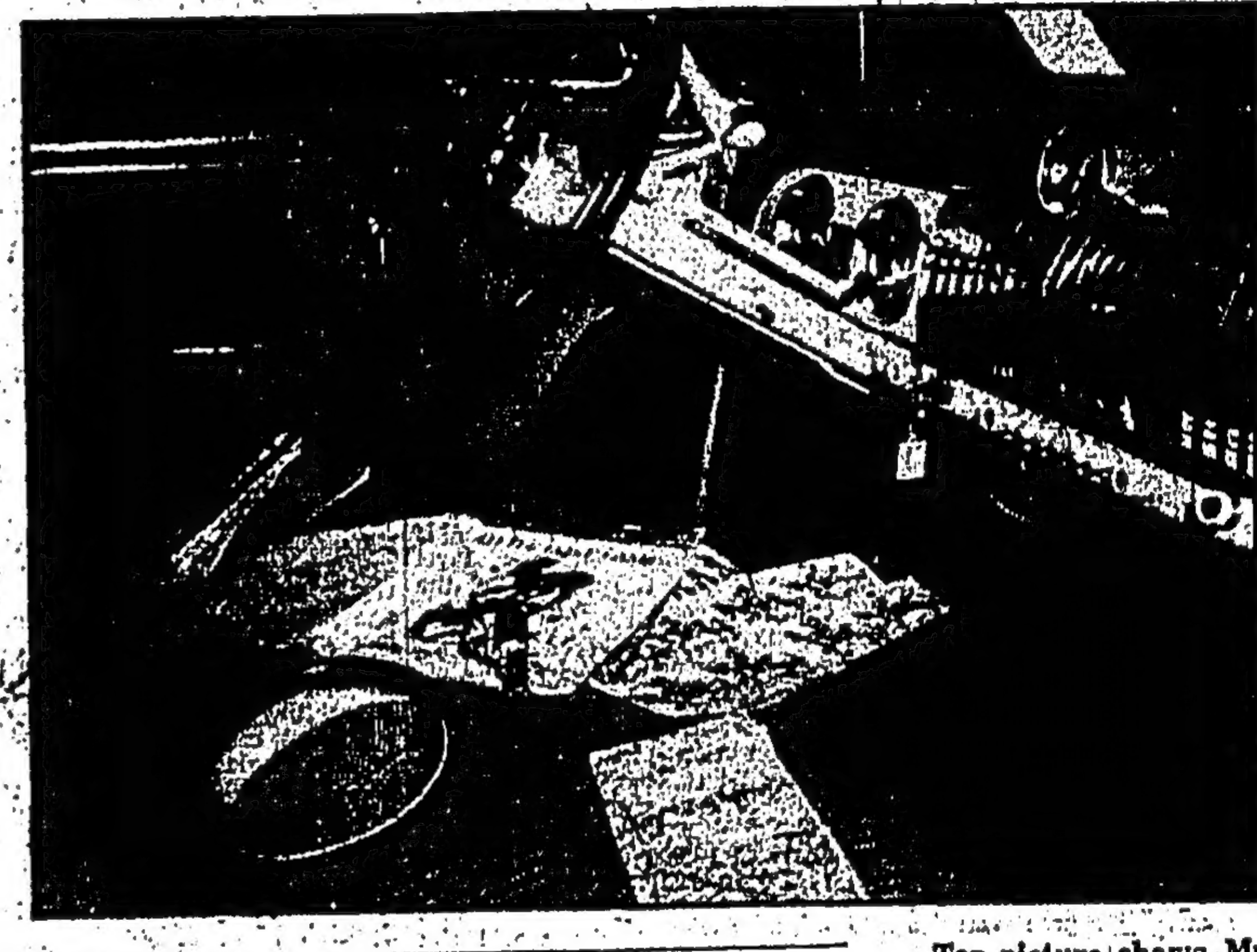
**TEXT OF REPLY**  
The full text of the Chinese reply read:

"I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 213 dated 12th September, 1953. I am instructed to make the following reply and request your Excellency to convey it to the British Government:

"According to confirmed reports received by the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China at 1404 hours (local time) on September 9, a patrol vessel of the Navy of the People's Republic of China, while sailing on waters within the mouth of the Pearl River, southwest of Inner Lin Tin Island and between Lin Tin Island and Hsiao Chou, discovered an armed gunboat displaying no national flag whatsoever sailing towards it."

"Our patrol vessel then made enquiries through international signals. The gunboat, whose actions were questionable and whose purposes unclear, made no reply and increased its speed of approach. In view of the fact that pirate vessels have long harassed waters in that

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## Police Await Move By Woman Kidnapper

Kansas City, Miss., Sept. 29. The police stood grimly in the background today awaiting the first move by the woman kidnapper of a brown-eyed, six-year-old boy to contact the victim's millionaire father.

The kidnapper is a stockily-built, red-haired woman. She whisked Bobby Greenlease, Jr., from an exclusive Catholic school yesterday morning, leaving his father, Robert Greenlease, 65, fighting back tears in his helplessness and his mother, 45, in bed under a doctor's care. Her condition was reported to be not serious.

Greenlease, who has made millions as a car dealer in the Middle West, had received no contact from the kidnapper by early today. The parents said they were "ready to do anything" to co-operate with the kidnapper to get their child back unharmed.

The police declined to discuss "ransom" possibilities. They remained in the background entirely, although one closed conference followed another at headquarters.

## Seeks Reduction In Spending

Washington, Sept. 29. The United States Secretary of Defense, Mr. Charles Wilson, said today that his Department was seeking a five per cent reduction in military spending 1954-55.

Mr. Wilson refused at a press conference to give precise figures on the reduction.

But when a reporter asked whether he was aiming at a \$40,000,000,000 spending budget for the fiscal year July 1, 1954, to June 30, 1955, Mr. Wilson replied that the report was "getting hot."

This would involve a reduction of between \$2,000,000,000 and \$3,000,000,000 in the current rate of defence expenditures.

Mr. Wilson said the reductions could be made possible because of the end of fighting in Korea. He added that they could not be made too great a reduction "because we must keep strong in the Pacific until the Korean political discussions are over."

—Reuter.

## McCARTHY WEDS

Washington, Sept. 29. Senator Joseph McCarthy, America's number one anti-Communist investigator, married red-headed Miss Jean Fraser Kerr, his former assistant, at St Matthew's, Roman Catholic Cathedral here today.

Thousands crowded the Cathedral during the ceremony and reinforced squads of Washington police were on duty.

Senator McCarthy is 43, his bride 29. Their courtship lasted four years.

Miss Kerr greeted photographers with a broad wink as she arrived at the church.

President Eisenhower had been invited to the wedding, but sent his regrets in a note which said he would not be able to attend "because of other engagements."

The White House was represented by Mr. Richard Nixon, the Vice-President, and other members of the Presidential staff.—Reuter.

## LARRY CROSBY IN TROUBLE

Los Angeles, Sept. 29. Larry Crosby, brother of crooner Bing Crosby, has paid a \$500 fine following his plea of guilty to misbehaviour and driving while drunk charges.

The crooner's brother remarked yesterday: "Whew, I didn't think it would be that much."

He was arrested last week after his car hit a parked vehicle on fashionable Wilshire Boulevard.—United Press.

## Sensational Teheran Report

(From Our Correspondent) London, Sept. 29.

A report from Teheran says that following a full report of the true position of the Persian oil industry put before the Premier, General Zahedi, yesterday and broadcast to the Persian people today, the National Oil Company, which runs the industry, has drafted a letter to Anglo-Iranian asking it to send an advisory commission of British experts.

Nothing will be hidden from them if they come because the Persians realise that only Anglo-Iranian—the company they kicked out two years ago—can help them save their oil now.

So, if General Zahedi approves, the letter will be sent to London this week.

The draft letter also asks Anglo-Iranian to reconsider the compensation claimed for Mossadegh's seizure of Abadan.

## Terrorists Kill Italian Nun

Nairobi, Sept. 29. An Italian nun was killed, and an Italian priest seriously wounded during an attack by 50 terrorists on the Imvoti Catholic mission in the Muri district on the eastern slopes of Kenya late last night, it was announced here today.

The names of the victims have not been announced.—France Press.

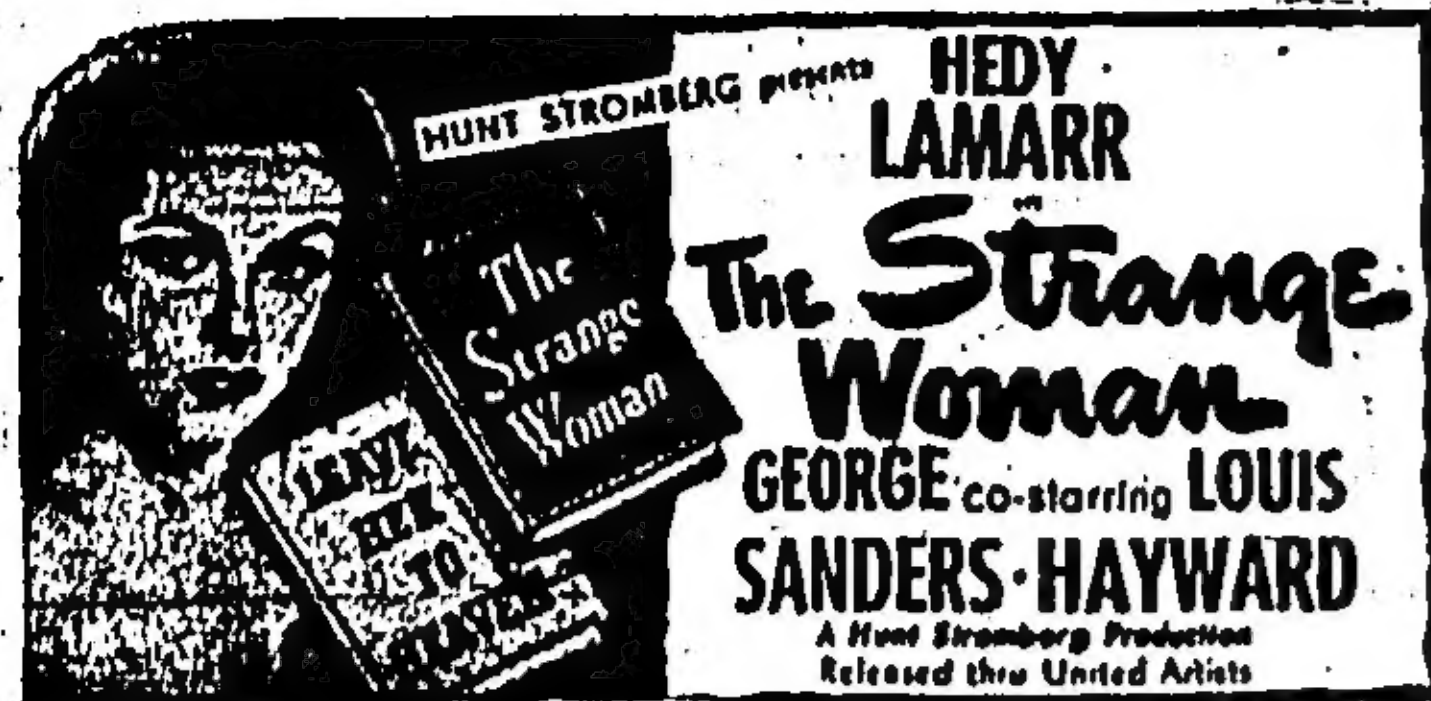
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## Silk Industry's Prospects Said Fairly Cheerful

Milan, Sept. 29.

Delegates at the fourth International Silk Congress, which officially opened here today, started public discussion of the problems of present consumption and future prospects of silk.

Signor Roberto Tremelloni, of Italy, a former Trade and Industry Minister, stated that some sound reasons for moderate optimism have appeared lately for silk as the critical period may now be considered over while production, as well as consumption are slowly but continuously increasing since the last few years.

The speaker stressed that future prospects of the silk industry are linked to a reduction of production costs, as well as to an increase of average individual income and to further liberalisation of international trade.

In his detailed study, Signor Tremelloni reviewed the history of production, consumption and prices of silk, stating that silk production has been constantly increasing until 1928/1930 in order to satisfy world demand. Silk offered in 1970 amounted to 9,400 tons, while in 1913 production rose to 27,300 tons and to over 50,000 tons in 1928/30. During the ten years before the second world war production and consumption declined to lower but steady levels. The world war reduced considerably both offers and demand for silk on world markets. To these factors must be added the considerable reduction of silk consumption for stockings manufacture owing to the increased use of synthetic fibres.

In the immediate post-war period world silk production declined to 10,000/20,000 tons. Then, since 1947, production has risen slowly to which, four-fifths were produced in the Far East. This production still remains, however, at a level under one half of the targets reached in the late 20's and is roughly similar to the level reached at the turn of the century.

### BALANCED VIEW

Consumption also declined considerably: industrial silk consumption in the world, estimated at 48,000 tons in 1938, sank to extremely low levels during the war and has since risen to 10,000 tons in 1948 and 17,500 in 1952.

Signor Tremelloni said that future prospects for world silk must be considered without excessive optimism or pessimism. A serious study of the situation, he said, discourages all extreme views about the situation and it can rather be stated that there exist now moderate reasons for optimism about the world silk situation. This opinion is shared also by market operators.

First of all, consumption of textile fibres in the world was steadily increasing and has tripled in the last half century. Consumption per capita in the world has doubled and economists expect consumption to double again in the next half century, reaching 25 to 28 million tons from today's 14-million level. This growth leaves, according to Signor Tremelloni, ample opportunities to silk consumption. All experts in fact agree that the "war" period among textile fibres is now over and that an increase in textile fibres consumption is now linked to common efforts by representatives of all branches concerned. Nowadays, the silk market cannot be considered any more an "independent market" and increased attention must be paid to inter-dependence of offer and demand between all textile fibres.

Another cause is the steady improvement of some artificial

fibres, which are today far superior to the first fibres introduced on the market several years ago.

### TECHNICAL PROGRESS

Among economical factors may be "some impoverishment of several countries following the war and the fact that the increase of individual income after the war was granted mainly to social classes that had to satisfy first of all more urgent needs, repressed for a long time. Besides, modern consumers often prefer short-lived fabrics so as to be able to adapt themselves rapidly to fashion changes. Another hard blow was dealt to the silk industry by the considerable decline of silk consumption by stockings manufacturers during the past 15 years.

Consumption of fibres will bear more heavily, at first, on more popular products. But as income levels will rise, better fibre consumption is bound to increase. Consumers, who at first were compelled to spend a large share of their income to satisfy more urgent and long-repressed needs, will now become progressively more selective, which has the advantage of a long tradition as a refined fibre, will certainly benefit from the expansion of incomes, especially in more prosperous countries. In these countries it should not be difficult to attain the level of 50 grammes of silk consumption per capita, especially when the average yearly income per individual is above US\$300. These countries represent over one third of the world population and within half a century they will certainly represent more than two-thirds of the whole of humanity. Of course, an increase of silk consumption is also linked with progress of technical qualities of this fibre. In order to allow it to keep its privileged position, silk the Italian delegate, China Mail Special.

## WORLDWIDE HUNT FOR 1914 PHOTO

A world-wide search for two years has failed to find the one photograph that is missing from the Imperial War Museum's library of more than 4,000,000 photographs.

The War Museum, believed to have the largest photographic library in the world, has pictures of every operational aircraft that has ever flown—except one.

The missing one is the BE 12b, of which 30 were produced by the Royal Aircraft Establishment for defence work in the 1914-18 war.

A museum official said: "Not even the Air Ministry or Farnborough can help us. We invariably ask visitors to the library if they can help, but without success."

"Apart from its official use by the Services and Government departments—the photographic library is often visited by aircraft enthusiasts, 90 per cent of whom are chiefly interested in aircraft of the 1914-18 war."

"Interest in the discovery of pictures of this aircraft is enormous. 'People all over the country have asked me to send them telegrams the minute we get a photograph so that they can come and see it.'"

"We have plenty of photographs of the BE 12, but the BE 12b, is a completely different type. It was chiefly used against Zeppelins."

## New Incident In Adriatic

Trieste, Sept. 29.  
A Yugoslav patrol boat seized an Italian trawler today in the latest of a series of incidents over fishing rights in the Adriatic. It was reported here.  
The trawler, Massimiliano, from Chioggia near Venice, was escorted to Capodistria in Yugoslav-held Zone B of this divided territory, according to the report.—United Press.

## Nuclear Research In China

London, Sept. 29.  
The Communist New China News Agency reported tonight that the "necessary foundations for the study of nuclear physics" were being laid in China.

In a review of Chinese scientific developments during the present year, received in London, the Agency said preliminary investigations had been made into the nature of nuclear forces. A series of calculations in the theoretical field was in progress.

The Agency added that the greatest contribution of Chinese medical scientists had been their success in "checking germ warfare waged by the American aggressors."

"Many entomologists, bacteriologists, biologists and medical specialists went to North-east China and Korea to combat the spread of marmalade plague and diseases," the Agency declared.

Communist China's national expenditure for scientific research in 1953 "is four times greater than last year and about 50 times more than in any pre-liberation year," the Agency claimed.

"This specific attention given by the People's Government to scientific research, accounts for its rapid expansion," the Agency said in a special article for China's national day—Oct. 1.

It said scientists and specialists were "volunteering" to take part in charting the country's natural wealth.—China Mail Special.

## Protest By Malta

Valetta, Sept. 29.  
Malta's Prime Minister, Mr. George Borg Olivier, said tonight he had protested against the British Government's action in allowing the Americans to augment their Navy patrol squadron stationed at Malta.

The Prime Minister told Parliament the Government felt Malta should have had a say in the question of non-British forces being based here.

A squadron of American Naval patrol planes with 300 officers and men was established on Malta in 1951.

At the time the leader of the Malta Labour Party protested vigorously against the establishment of the United States base without the Maltese being consulted.—Reuter.

## West German Mark Believed Ripe For Convertibility

London, Sept. 29.

The currency that is ripe for convertibility is not sterling but the D-mark. Its convertibility might mean far less than sterling's, since it is not an international currency like sterling (not yet, at any rate).

But its international role is constantly expanding, especially in Europe but not only in Europe, and it is far the more ripe for convertibility.

Misunderstandings arise because the British authorities sometimes show their figures through rosy spectacles, while the German authorities invariably show theirs through blue ones. The facts about Germany need no spectacles. The German banking system's foreign assets rose from DM2,650 million in October 1951 to DM4,000 million at the end of 1952 and to DM5,384 million in mid-1953—and have certainly gone on rising in the present half-year. Its foreign liabilities fell from DM1,168 million in October 1951 to DM449 million at end-1952 and to DM399 million in mid-1953.

So, even taken gross, the D-Mark's external liabilities are less than one per cent of sterling's external liabilities. (Those of the German central banking system are less than a thousandth of the Bank of England's). Taken net, the D-Mark has no external liabilities but instead has external assets of a size which, in comparison with sterling, can stand comparison with sterling's colossal liabilities—and are on the right side instead of the wrong one.

Even this fails to tell the full story. The bank deposits and money-market assets of Germany public authorities now exceed the total of the indebtedness that they have incurred since the currency reform of 1948. That reform virtually wiped out all their previous indebtedness, so Germany alone in this world and probably in any other, is the one country that has no net external debt. She had no external debt either, until September 16, 1953, when, after a mere four years or so of negotiations, the agreement on her external debts came into force.

### VASTLY LOWER

Strictly speaking, and for the moment only, she still has no external debt on private account, since she has not yet gazetted a single pound as guaranteed, and does not recognise any of them until she does so. However, taking that formality for granted, when she does shortly resume service on her external debt, her whole debt service will take a lower proportion of her budget than in probably any other country, and even the proportion for external debts, taken alone, will still be vastly lower than Britain's.

Moreover Germany's foreign exchange surpluses, as reported, are often struck after tucking money away. For example her EPU surplus in July was \$44 million, ostensibly lower than the \$53 million of June or the \$58 million of July 1952.

At that, it was the biggest surplus in the EPU clearing, whereas the June 1953 and July 1952 figures were struck after drawing \$8 million and \$11 million respectively from these outside accounts. So the real surplus in July was \$59 million compared with \$47

million in June and \$40 million in July 1952—the real figures thus being up by more than the reported figure was down.

It will be interesting to see the real figure for August, the month in which Germany expressed concern that tourism and other seasonal factors had reduced her surplus, while Britain expressed no concern that the seasonal factors had converted her surplus into a large deficit.

### TO BE SEEN

Germany's tourist allowance being much larger than Britain's, Germany, for the peak tourist month of August, was, for once, not the largest EPU "creditor"—though her surplus in that month surpassed only by those of the two tourist countries, Switzerland and Austria.

At \$34 million at end-August Germany's cumulative EPU surplus is far above her quota of \$500 million and pressing hard against the extended limit of \$650 million. However, the Bank Deutscher Laender foresees no "difficulties" in transactions with the EPU, as it says, the "German Federal Republic has declared itself ready in case of need to let its cumulative accounting position rise even above the total of \$850 million without resorting to counter-measures of its own, permitting this in the expectation that the relative amounts would be covered on terms not less favourable than those applied in similar cases to other countries." Since the terms in some cases have been (and were in all cases supposed to be) full payment of the excess, in gold or in goods, it remains to be seen just what the Germans mean.—China Mail Special.

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# RUSSIA'S DISCOURAGING NOTE

## Another Try At Record

### U.S. Attempt On The Speed Mark

El Centro, Calif., Sept. 29. Lt. Commander James Vordín will pull the throttle of the Navy's delta-wing Skyray jet wide open today in an attempt to break the world speed record he set only yesterday.

Vordín streaked the Douglas F4D over the California desert at 742.7 miles per hour yesterday, the fastest time ever clocked under International Speed Rules and eclipsing a British mark set last Saturday over the North African desert.

Douglas officials said today's attempt would start when desert temperatures reached an anticipated peak of 90 degrees at about 2 p.m. (GMT), because each degree of temperature is worth an additional mile an hour.

The temperature was 89 degrees during yesterday's flight.

The Navy test pilot set the new mark yesterday in four lightning passes over a three-kilometre course along Salton Lake. His best run was 748.5 miles per hour but a lap of 734.6 brought down the average.

"We're going to try again today," Vordín said. "We want to have a clear record before the British make another attempt in the Supermarine jet."

Vordín referred to Commander Mike Lithgow who is attempting to beat his own unofficial world mark of 737.3 which he set last week in speed run over the Libyan desert. The official record smashed by Vordín was 727.6 set earlier this year by Great Britain's Hawker Hunter D-jet. Vordín's run yesterday was officially certified by Charles Logsdon, timer for the Federation Aéronautique Internationale.—United Press.

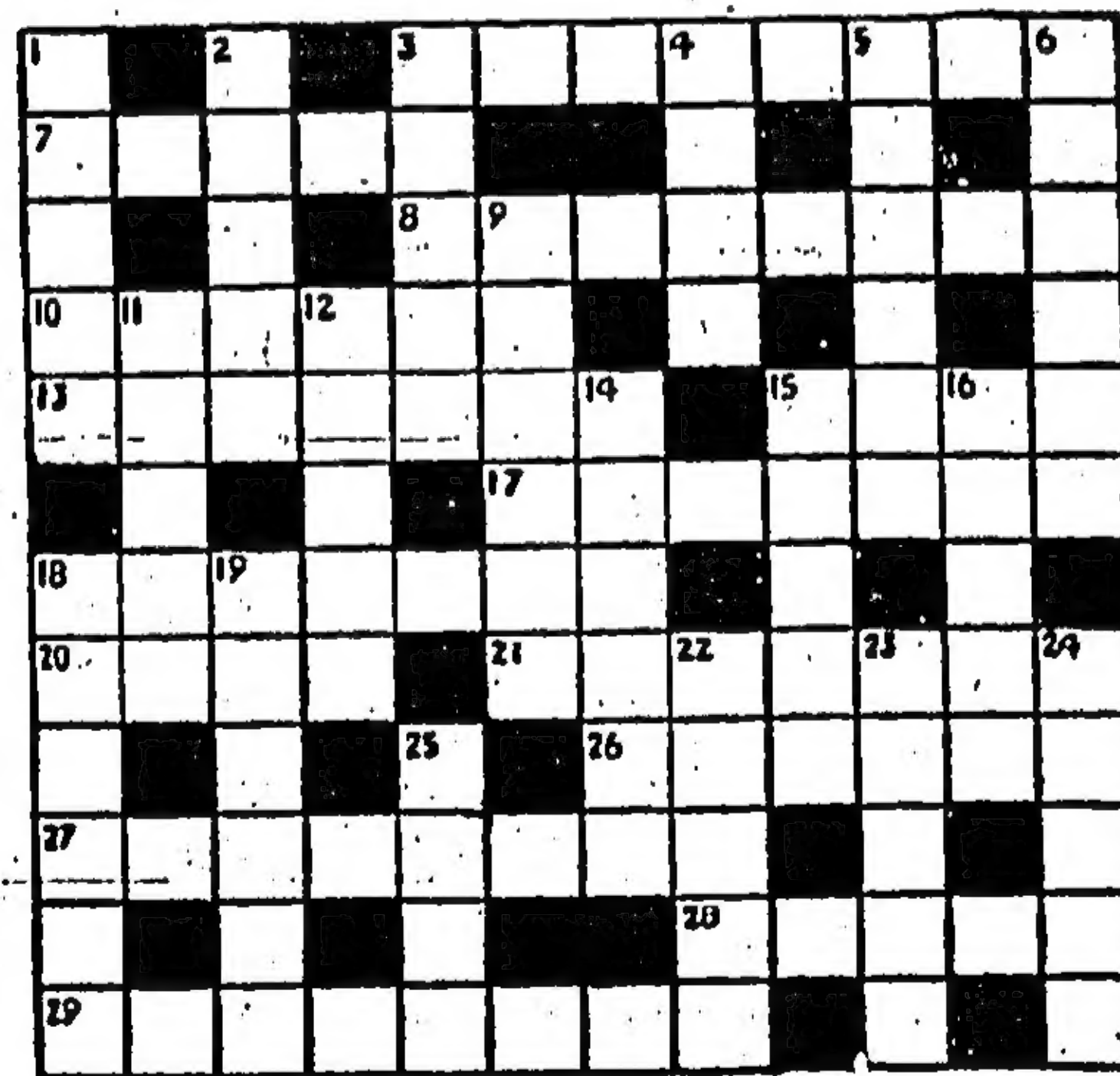
## Buddhist Plea Succeeds

Colombo, Sept. 29. The Ceylon Government proposes to introduce legislation to prohibit the use of religious and racial symbols as trade marks.

A Government spokesman said a bill would be introduced in the House of Representatives to amend the Trade Marks Ordinance to declare the use of such symbols a penal offence.

The spokesman said the proposed legislation is the outcome of representations made by a number of Buddhist associations to the Minister of Trade and Commerce against the use of pictures of Buddha as trade marks for various articles.—United Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Put money into. (8)
  - Applaud with shouts. (5)
  - Newcomers. (8)
  - Property. (6)
  - Analysed. (7)
  - Fish. (4)
  - Bull. (7)
  - Liberal. (7)
  - Accustomed. (4)
  - Greeted ceremoniously. (7)
  - Small tower. (6)
  - Garglers. (6)
  - Pick-me-up. (6)
  - Shipwrecked person. (8)

- DOWN**
- Suffered continuous pain. (5)
  - Encounters. (5)
  - Angry. (5)
  - Tale of heroism. (4)
  - Piece of crockery. (6)
  - Sprinted. (6)
  - Nook. (6)
  - Teams. (6)
  - Requested. (6)
  - International agreement. (6)
  - Scrub. (6)
  - Assembly. (6)
  - Rural. (6)
  - Acquires knowledge. (6)
  - Vigorous. (6)
  - Tendency. (6)
  - Store. (6)
  - Kind of gull. (4)

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.** — Across: 1. Sacked. 8. Distant. 9. Minion. 10. Droll. 11. Rural. 12. Moon. 13. Tense. 14. Delectable. 15. Abuse. 16. Toss. 17. Come. 18. Start. 19. Topsy. 20. Nothing. 21. Fried. 22. Gloss. 23. Dogged. Down: 1. Sediment. 2. Corporal. 3. Brat. 4. Dilute. 5. Dilates. 6. Amulet. 7. Nails. 14. Removing. 16. Enlarged. 18. Dusters. 17. Loosed. 19. Baste. 21. Avoil. 24. To do.

## Sets Big Puzzle For The Diplomats

### "Terribly Ambiguous"

London, Sept. 29.

Russia's counter-proposals for settling German and world problems appear to "discourage" hopes of early Big Four negotiations between Moscow and the West, Western observers in Moscow said tonight.

The note, delivered last night to the British, United States and French Embassies in Moscow, set a big puzzle for diplomats the world over.

The United States State Department said the note "appears to be evasive and a continuation of dilatory tactics".

In Paris it was described as "terribly ambiguous." A Moscow cable said diplomatic circles stated the note gave qualified approval to the Western proposal for a Big Four conference on German problems. But it did not accept — nor did it reject — the Western invitation that the four Foreign Ministers tackle the matter at Lugano on October 15.

The Russians also revived their plan for a "Big Five" conference to discuss means of world tension. They insisted on including Communist China among the parties—a proposal which runs counter to declared American policy on the point.

The Russians said that the Big Four conference on Ger-

many only must "include all proposals introduced during the course of a preparatory conference."

Western observers in Moscow took this phrase to mean that Russia would wish to introduce proposals such as that for the formation of an all-German Government before elections are held in the whole of Ger-

many. The West has always maintained that elections must be held before a Government for a reunited Germany may be set up.

The State Department judgment on the note was made by Mr. Lincoln White, the Department spokesman. He said it was based on a "first reading" of the document.

Mr. White added that Mr. John Foster Dulles, the Secretary of State, and Mr. Charles Bohlen, Ambassador to Russia, were still studying the note.

The French Foreign Ministry declined comment until M. Georges Bidault, the Foreign Minister, has thoroughly studied what the Russians have to say.

The Foreign Office in London also refused comment on the note for the time being. It will be discussed at a Cabinet meeting on Friday.

Both Sir Winston Churchill and the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, will be back in London for this meeting. They are due back from their continental holidays tomorrow.—Reuter.

## CALL REITERATED

Moscow, Sept. 29. Russia has proposed that the Big Four should call a Foreign Ministers' meeting on Germany and should also include Communist China in all-round discussions on "relaxation of tension in the world."

A Soviet note sent to the United States, Britain and France yesterday and released here last night, agreed with the Western Powers that a Foreign Ministers' conference should be called to specify two firm agenda points:

1. To consider at a meeting, which would include the Foreign Ministers of France, Britain, the United States, the Chinese People's Republic and the Soviet Union, measures for the relaxation of tension in international relations.

2. To discuss at a meeting, which would include the Foreign Ministers of France, Britain, the United States and the Soviet Union, the German question, including all proposals put forward in the course of the preparation of the meeting.

The Soviet note, which covered eleven foolscap pages, reiterated the Soviet call for a temporary all-German government.

## WILLING TO DISCUSS

New York, Sept. 29. The New York Times said today in a leading article: "While efforts to fill the military vacuum in the heart of Europe are still stalled by France's inability to make up her mind, the similar military vacuum in Asia is on the way to being remedied."

The Times referred to the agreement reached by Premier Yoshida of Japan and his Conservative opposition on a parliament programme of "straightforward rearmament to defend the country against Communist aggression."

The Times said "The Japanese rearmament programme represents a break with past illusions not only for us but also for the Japanese."

"Under the impact of the last war and the comfortable assurance of American protection, Japan adopted a constitution forbidding the maintenance of armed forces. Now, however, the Japanese, like the Germans, are beginning to realize their peril, and sentiment is beginning to swing the other way."

"How far the programme will go is still not clear, but its scope will obviously depend, first, on American aid, and second, on Japan's own economic resources, which are none too great."

"Japan is trying hard to enhance these resources by expanding its trade. But after the loss of its empire, in an age of super-powers and in view of modern armament costs, Japan cannot become the aggressive menace it was in the past. In this fact lies the best guarantee that its rearmament will remain an instrument of peace, not war."—Reuter.

## Peer Urges New Approach To Economic Problem

London, Sept. 29.

At the annual meeting of the Finance Corporation for Industry Lord Bruce urged a new approach to the economic position of Britain and the sterling area, which he described as extremely insecure.

The position was desperate, he said, and standards of living were seriously menaced.

There was irritating complacency as to industrial progress in Britain and the development of the Commonwealth and Empire overseas.

## UN Adjourns

United Nations, Sept. 29. The United Nations General Assembly adjourned today at 4:45 p.m. (GMT) having completed its general debate.

The Assembly will remain in adjournment indefinitely during Committee session.—United Press.

## Sumatra Revolt Settled?

### Foreign Minister On Situation

New York, Sept. 29.

Dr. Sunario, Indonesian Minister for Foreign Affairs, told reporters today that recent reports of a revolt in Atjeh were greatly exaggerated.

The Minister said the Indonesian Government has the situation under control and it has the backing of Parliament. Dissident elements were behind the uprisings but he denied that they were fostered by unrest.

The Government was working out programmes for the autonomy of the various regions, including Northern Sumatra.

Dr. Sunario left today for Amsterdam after serving for a fortnight as head of his country's delegation to the United Nations General Assembly.

Asked if Indonesia would bring up the question of New Guinea at the Assembly session, he said "It has not yet been submitted and I have no comment."

Indonesia serves as a mediator between the Eastern and Western blocs at the United Nations. Dr. Sunario was asked if he thought any satisfactory mediation had been accomplished.

## NECESSITY REALISED

He replied: "I cannot tell yet. After all, we are just in the midst of settling the Korean question."

The African and Asian countries recognised the necessity of getting an early settlement, not only as it concerns the belligerents but as an overall settlement for all parties, he added.

Accompanied by Dr. Utojo Ramealan, former Indonesian Ambassador to Australia, Dr. Sunario is going to Switzerland for a meeting of Indonesian envoys on October 4. He will also talk with the Foreign Ministers of Pakistan, India and Burma.

He paid a courtesy call in Washington on President Eisenhower, Vice-President Nixon and the Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles.—United Press.

## Japan To Get U.S. Drugs

New York, Sept. 29.

Merck Inc., a United States chemical company, today reported that an agreement had been signed with Banyo Chemical Company Limited, of Tokyo, for the distribution of the company's cortone and hydrocortone in Japan.

Said to be the first step in making the powerful chemical more widely available in that country, the agreement was expected to result in a marked contribution toward the health and well-being of the Japanese people, the company said.

The field of usefulness for cortone and hydrocortone included arthritic conditions, eye diseases, skin diseases, allergies and many other disorders.—Reuter.

Lord Bruce, a former Premier of Australia, is chairman of the Finance Corporation for Industry. The Corporation, which is owned and financed by the banks and other leading financial institutions, has provided £82 million sterling in the post-war period for financing of heavy industry, particularly steel.

Britain's liabilities, Lord Bruce said, were nearly £4,000 million sterling while her gold and foreign currency reserves were only about £700 million sterling. She had been saved from collapse only by grants and loans of more than 9,000 million dollars. This aid was steadily diminishing and might soon cease. The reserves were far too low, and the slightest adverse movement could bring about a fresh crisis.

Excessive taxation made it almost impossible to finance the improved methods required to reduce costs. There was no possibility of a lowering of tariff and other barriers overseas to permit a greater import of British goods. It would take longer than Britain could afford to convince public opinion and politicians in America to follow the wise course proposed in Mr. Lewis Douglas's report to President Eisenhower.

Stressing the need for a supreme effort to overcome the difficulties, Lord Bruce suggested an examination of retail sources and production potential of the Commonwealth sterling area in relation to demand for basic requirements. The area should then consider whether to save dollars by increasing production to meet its own needs, or to earn dollars by satisfying the requirements of the United States.

## MOST URGENT

When the facts had been ascertained, consideration should be given to the most urgent and adopted ideas. The Commonwealth sterling area governments concerned would have to touch with the industries requiring the product.

Official bodies would have to assume responsibility for transport and other basic services. Private industry would have to assume responsibility for factories, machinery, equipment and so on. If necessary, actual production in the Commonwealth would seek financial co-operation from the World Bank and other sources in the United States. The Commonwealth Conference due to take place in Australia early in 1954 would afford an opportunity for a new and more imaginative approach.

On the Finance Corporation's own affairs, Lord Bruce observed that profits on its participations in steel and diesel engines provided a very substantial cushion against possible losses in other directions. He thought that the Corporation would be called upon to play some part in the development and modernisation of the steel industry. He referred particularly to the recently formed Air Finance Company, for which the Corporation has agreed to provide £20 million sterling to grant credits for the export of British aircraft and aero engines.—China Mail Special.

## Cairo Charge Denied By Israeli Army

Tel-Aviv, Sept. 29.

The Israeli Army General Staff today denied a charge that Egyptian troops had been seen today in Cairo by Major Salah Salem that Israeli Army units had taken up positions inside the demilitarised zone near El Ajlaj, on the Israeli-Egyptian border.

(Major Salem, Egyptian Minister of National Guidance, alleged in Cairo that Israeli forces had occupied parts of no man's land along the Egyptian-Israeli frontier since the outbreak of an attack by the El Ajlaj region last night.)

The Israeli troops in this zone are the garrison at El Ajlaj which has been stationed there in accordance with the armistice agreement.—Reuter.

## Centre Of Controversy



## ARGUMENT OVER GIRL'S FUTURE

Aged seven, the girl in the above picture, whose only name is Mavis, is the centre of a fierce controversy in South Africa.

She was found in a Zulu hut, clothed in rags, by Dr. J. H. Botha, of Natal. She had never worn shoes, always slept on a grass mat and only spoke Zulu.

Nothing is known of her parents and it is believed she was abandoned when a baby and "adopted" by the Zulus. The controversy has arisen because the authorities threaten to place her in an institution for coloured girls.

Reason is that her "pure European descent" cannot be proved, and under South African racial laws, unless such proof can be provided, a person is judged "coloured" no matter how fair their skin and hair.

Mavis has green eyes and blonde hair, and Dr. Botha says that exhaustive medical tests have proved her to be pure white.

Only way out under the racial laws is the proof that a person can be classed as white if they have "habitually associated with white persons." But this road too is closed to Mavis; until Dr. Botha found her, all her associations were Zulu.

## Symbol Of Christian Leadership

Washington, Sept. 29.

The American Roman Catholic hierarchy today called the Polish Communist regime's arrest of Stephen Cardinal Wysynski an "infamous blow against heroic and helpless people."

A statement issued by Archbishop Francis O'Shea, in the name of the Cardinals, Archbishops and Bishops of the United States, also said: "Cardinal Wysynski has stood firm in the face of ruthless efforts by men devoid of decency or conscience to deprive his beloved people of rights which, because they derive from God, are more precious to them than life itself."

"His people will now tearfully but proudly add his name to the litany of heroes and martyrs who have given such lustre to the long and glorious history of the Polish nation."

"Men everywhere, who grasp the significance of the present struggle between good and evil, between freedom and slavery, will acclaim him as a symbol of magnificent Christian leadership."—Reuter.

## NIGHT FLYING FOR COLOMBO

Colombo, Sept. 29.

The Colombo airport will soon have night landing facilities according to international standards.

A supplementary provision of 15,000 rupees was sought in Parliament today by the Minister of Transport and Works, Sir John Kotelawala, for the purchase of the equipment necessary for the installation of minimum night landing facilities.—France-Press.

## Bao Dai In Geneva

Geneva, Sept. 29.

Emperor Bao Dai arrived today in his private plane from Hanoi, accompanied by the Empress.

He will stay a few days in Geneva before going on to Paris. The Empress, however, continued her journey to Paris direct today.—Reuter.

## Latest Fantasy Of Peking Propaganda

London, Sept. 29.

Returned Chinese prisoners from Korea have accused the United States of smuggling special agents into Indian custodian camps to kidnap members of the Korean and Chinese "explanation" teams, according to the New China (Communist) News Agency today.

In a despatch from Kuesong, the Agency said Li Chin-chuan, a Chinese prisoner returned on Sunday, was doing administrative work in the American prison camp on Cheju Island.

On August 28 he heard Chiang Kai-shek's top special agent, Pang Chin, say at a meeting in the American military police headquarters: "We have decided to send scores of men from Taiwan to go to the Indian custodian camps with you."

"Ten of them will pose as prisoners and the rest will pass themselves off as United Nations representatives or newsmen."

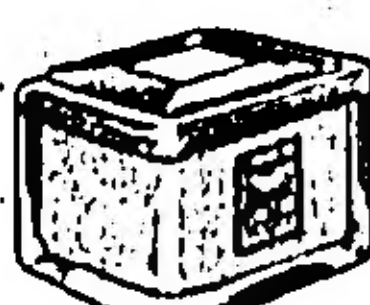
"These doubling this story would not be able to explain away the picture." The Agency said another returned prisoner, Chang Tien, heard a special agent in the Indian custodian camp instruct prisoners in ways of murdering representatives of the United States, Czechoslovakia and India.

Because 65 Chinese prisoners showed their desire to go home, they were segregated by the Americans while on Cheju Island, the Agency went on. They were forced by the Americans to sign in blood a "Return to Taiwan" pledge in the United States military police headquarters, the Agency claimed.—China Mail Special.

The kidnappers are then to drag him into a tent.



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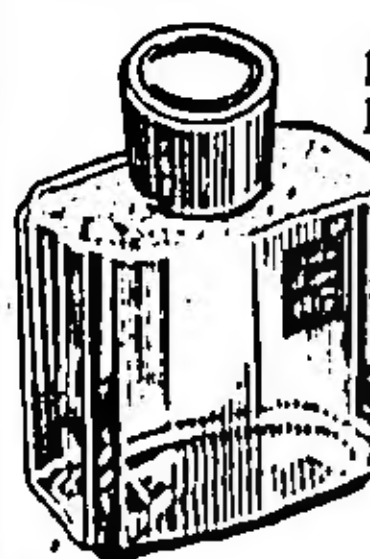
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## I SAY THAT EVANS WAS GUILTY

By LORD HAILSHAM

ON January 13, 1950, Timothy John Evans, a van driver by occupation, was convicted at the Old Bailey of strangling his baby daughter, Geraldine, and after an unsuccessful appeal he was hanged on March 9 following.

Another charge of murdering his wife, Beryl, which depended on substantially the same facts, was not proceeded with.

Two bodies of both mother and daughter had been found concealed behind a door in the back-house of the premises in Notting Hill at which the Evans family had lived.

Evans's defence had been that one of the witnesses for the prosecution, John Reginald Halliday Christie, who was living at the same address, had killed Mrs Evans in the course of an illegal operation upon her, and had then murdered the baby presumably in order to conceal the offence against the mother.

### INSANITY

THREE years later this same Christie found himself charged with the murder of his own wife by strangling her and disposing of her corpse on the same premises in a somewhat similar fashion.

The evidence showed that Mrs Christie was only one of a number of women whom he had strangled and disposed of in this way from time to time.

The defence was insanity, and during this evidence, Christie tried to make the court believe that he had murdered Mrs Evans as well—not as Evans himself had suggested in the course of an illegal operation, but as a means of assisting her in committing suicide.

The inquiry instituted by the Home Secretary was presided over by Mr Scott Henderson, who reported, however, that Evans was guilty on both counts and therefore that the apparently impossible had actually taken place.

It is important to emphasise that Evans was not convicted on the evidence of Christie alone but as the result of a chain of circumstances almost undisputed which had led him to make a whole series of confessions, circumstantial, coherent, accurate

and detailed, elicited from him only after repeated false explanations had been exposed. These confessions betrayed a clear motive and contained material which could only have been obtained by first-hand knowledge of the crime.

Bogus admissions of guilt are, of course, familiar enough in murder cases—Christie's later confession was one of these. But nobody at Evans's trial or since has ever been able to show any adequate reason for doubting the authenticity of Evans's admission to the police.

### ALIVE THEN

BOTH Beryl and Geraldine Evans were alive on November 8, 1949. By the 14th they were both quite certainly dead and in the position in which their bodies were subsequently found.

By this date Evans had sold his home, closed his flat and left for Merthyr Tydfil, where he turned up unexpectedly on the early morning of the 15th at the house of an aunt and uncle at which he proceeded to lodge.

Somewhere about his person he concealed his dead wife's wedding ring. When he arrived Evans was naturally asked by his relatives what had become of his wife and baby, and to these questions he replied with a lie that they were on holiday in Brighton.

A week later he returned for the day to London and came back to Merthyr saying that he had actually seen his wife, that she had walked out of the house leaving the baby, and that he had had to take the child to Newport to be looked after. About this time he sold his wife's wedding ring for six shillings.

Unfortunately for Evans his various stories were relayed by the aunt and uncle to his mother, and back came answer from her in great distress of mind referring to his account as lies, suggesting that he should be asked why he had removed

## Bernard Wicksteed meets a PW Troop

## A Little Rain Washes Away That Red Touch

I DON'T know how many of the ex-P.O.W. boys were Communists when they walked down the gangways of the Asturias. But I am quite sure there weren't be half as many by today.

Twenty-four hours of freedom, home, and England are an antidote against any number of lectures in a Chinese prison camp.

That reception they got on the docks at Southampton was something those boys won't forget, and nor will I.

There they were, nearly 600 of them, wedged against the deck rails as the ship edged in towards the quay. And there to meet them at 8.30 in the morning were Mums and Dads and Missuses and sisters and kids from all over Britain.

And then, just when the ship was near enough to pick out individual faces, it came on to rain. It simply poured. The band that was playing "Poor Old Joe" hastily finished its tune and ran for shelter.

So did most of the relatives, and to the boys on board there was no denying that this was early England.

The rain slackened and out came all the Mums and Dads again—with newspapers

on their heads because there wasn't any room for umbrellas. Some of them spotted their boys at once. A grey little man best to me was tanning the docks with water-filled eyes when he suddenly let out a yell: "Billy! It's me!" And when Billy called back: "How are you, Dad?" the tears rolled down the old man's face to hard that he couldn't say anything more.

Puzzled children who hadn't seen their fathers for two and a half years and didn't know what they looked like, wives with the rain ruining their hairdos, trying to pick out the only man on earth who mattered....

Then the gangways went up and without waste of further time, the men poured down and into the enormous Customs hall given over for the reunion.

There were flags all over the ceiling and mayors and magistrates everywhere. There was a Naaf counter 20 yards long where tea and cakes were free for all and a loudspeaker was telling people where to stand.

Undoubtedly there are a lot of boys who thought they were Communists in the prison camps. But do they today? Will they tomorrow?

Tom Driberg, M.P., who was there, said he had found two, but when I tried to locate them they had gone.

The special trains laid on by the War Office filled up and steamed away to the Midlands, the West, and the North.

Hugs for all

THERE were so many helpers in the uniforms of the W.V.S., the Red Cross, and the St. John Ambulance all happily fussing around that you'd almost think we'd gone to war again.

The soldiers streamed into the hall like two rivers of khaki and were absorbed into the sea of their waiting kin.

One couple had brought in a case of beer for their son, and while mother went off to look for him father stood on guard.

Kisses for everyone...hugs for all...children unpacking presents bought in the East...and tears, tears, tears—but all of them tears of joy.

Standing alone surveying the scene was Lance-Corporal Buxton, of the Royal Ulster Rifles. I shared a mug of tea with him the day his transport left Liverpool nearly three years ago, and I met him again in Korea sitting in a foxhole in the snow.

"Remember me?" I said. "Why, it's that reporter fellow again," he answered. "Now I know it isn't just a dream."

He had written to his wife in Scotland and told her not to tire

But the bit that I liked best was a boy of five announcing in a loud voice that he wanted to go somewhere, and, not far, turning to father home at last and saying, "It's your turn now. You take him."

And father old.

Exactly the same thing happened to me when I came back from war, and I knew then that I had really come down to earth.

(London Express Service)

## Nathaniel Gubbins

SHE was the kind of woman who was always asking questions about the health and fortunes of people you had either forgotten, or wanted to forget, or never knew at all.

So when she asked "How is Gwendoline?" a woman unknown to me, I gave her the full treatment.

I said: "Poor Gwendoline will never be the same again after her illness."

She said: "Gwendoline? But apart from snuffly colds she's as strong as a horse."

I said: "She'd better be, considering what's happened to her. It began with a cold. They gave her penicillin. But, as she's allergic to penicillin, she came out in lumps and purple spots."

"They rushed her to hospital, where her neck began to swell. When they got that down, her feet began to swell. She was like a rubber doll—depress one end, and the other end inflates. Then she began to swell in the middle."

She said: "When's the poor darling coming out of hospital?"

I said: "I don't know. But as soon as the poor darling does, she'll go straight into prison."

She said: "Gwendoline?"

I said: "She's been shop-lifting for years. When the police caught up with her on us, that they found she was also a gangster's moll. One of the 'Darling'."

"Gangster's moll? One of the 'Darling'?"

"Darling. You know, George, two with a bit of lead piping, and the police are waiting by

her bedside now for a statement."

I guessed George was Gwendoline's husband, so I said: "Poor George my foot. He's been on the run for six months."

She said: "George? On the run?"

I said: "Yes. He's wanted for fraud, petty larceny, obtaining money by false pretences, forgery, robbery with violence, and dope peddling. The police think he's also a sex maniac."

She said: "But only last year that dear old Mr. Whatismade, the managing director, made him his chief cashier."

I said: "That was before he ran off with dear old Mr. Whatismade's daughter, and robbed him of £10,000 by cooking the books."

"Charitable people might think he wanted the money to pay lawyers and psychiatrists to prove his wife was a kleptomaniac, but the truth is that he took old Mr. Whatismade's daughter half-way round the world and left her stranded in Australia, after he had robbed a couple of banks."

"Then he came home, lost the rest of his money at the races, joined up with a razor gang, cosked an elderly tobacconist at Walthamstow, and robbed the till."

She said: "But poor George will go to prison."

I said: "Not for long—if the tobacconist doesn't recover."

At that moment, a tall, hideous woman and a timid little man in a bowler hat approached. She called out: "Gwendoline, gangster's moll. One of the 'Darling'."

Gwendoline screamed: "Darling. You know, George, two with a bit of lead piping, and the police are waiting by

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# MALAYANS START WELL IN THEIR BID TO RETAIN THE GUTIERREZ SHIELD

By "TOUCHER"

Out to retain the Gutierrez Shield for the third successive year, the Malayan rink went through their preliminary round yesterday with a comfortable 21-12 win over Switzerland and thus qualified to meet Portugal in the next round on Sunday.

Playing only 18 heads by mutual agreement, both rinks put up a fairly high standard of bowls considering the heavy state of the green. Both teams were excellently served by their leads and No. 2's.

## THE WOMEN SCORE

## The Biggest Amateur Sport Event Ever Organised Anywhere

By RICHARD LYNTON

The All-England Women's Hockey Association, who have won fame and a modest fortune by their annual Wembley International, will soon present the biggest amateur sporting event ever organised anywhere on account of a single game.

Some 300 women hockey players and officials, representing 20 countries, will assemble at Folkestone at the end of the month for the Conference and Tournament of the International Federation of Women's Hockey Associations.

It lasts a fortnight (September 28-October 10) and one way and another is going to cost every penny of £35,000. Where has it come from? Nearly half has been raised in England by schoolgirls and club players, who have played a steady stream of pennies, or the equivalent, from every pocket and purse within reach.

### THREE-YEAR TASK

For three years they have been at it and the result to date is a Hospitality Fund of more than £24,000.

## 16 Nations Bully-off Today

Folkestone, Kent, Sept. 29.

A total of 170 women hockey players representing 16 nations—their professions range from an Austrian umbrella maker and a Swiss fashion designer to a member of an American detective agency—went to bed early here tonight prior to the start of the international hockey tournament which starts tomorrow.

This will be the fifth triennial conference and tournament to be staged by the International Federation of Women's Hockey Associations and is the first to be held in England.

### SIX DAYS OF PLAY

The tournament ends on October 10, six days being devoted to actual play. All countries will not play each other and no points will be awarded, so there will be no official champions.

Nevertheless England will have to be in top form to avoid defeat and lose their unofficial rating of World Champions.

The English Women's Association is anxious to this hockey "united nations" where sole aim is to play and enjoy their games but the guests are out to show that they did not come thousands of miles just for the trip.

The event is costing the English association approximately £12,000, which has been raised by the small clubs.

All teams were hard at practice today except the Germans who arrived late and were "a bit too tired." Interest is centred on the Indian team. It is the first time a women's side from India has taken part in an international tournament and everyone is waiting to see whether they are as good as the Indian men's teams which have dominated the Olympics.

Tomorrow's programme: Australia v. Belgium, Denmark v. United States, South Africa v. Wales, Australia v. England, France v. New Zealand, Holland v. Ireland, Germany v. Switzerland, and India v. Scotland.

That will pay accommodation, travelling and general conference and tournament expenses in England. It will also cover accommodation and travelling expenses of officials who follow the Folkestone conference.

Rest of the money has been found by individual delegations paying their own travel and living expenses—a big item in the cases of Australia, New Zealand, India, South Africa and USA.

Sixteen teams will play in the tournament. There are 48 matches spread over six days, two or three games taking place simultaneously.

Top of the list are the England women's team, whose record of



MYRA BRAIN May play at Folkestone.

success in international competition has probably never been surpassed by any team in any sport.

The team for Folkestone is chosen from the players who won all four matches last season (27 goals against six), plus Miss Myra Brain (Gloucester) and Miss K. Laurie.

(London Express Service)

## Taiwan May Be Limited To Basketball

Manila, Sept. 29. Nationalist China will be permitted to compete only in the basketball events of the Second Asian Games here next May, the Philippine Herald quoted an authoritative source as saying today.

The Herald said the games would be run under the rules of the International Olympic Committee, which stipulates that a nation must be a member of an international federation of a particular sport before it can compete in an international meet of that sport.

Nationalist China is a member of the International Basketball Federation but not of any other organisation.

The Herald's source said Nationalist China would be admitted to play events such as football, swimming, track and field, shooting, weightlifting, swimming, boxing and water polo if it can straighten out its affiliation with the respective international bodies. —United Press.

Outstanding play by the Malayan No. 2, I. Ali, who replaced S. Yusoff of last year's rink, gave the Malaysians a slight edge in the vanguard.

The superiority of the Malaysians, however, was not evident in the No. 3 and skip positions where both C. R. Rosset and J. S. Landolt of Switzerland were well below their form.

### GOOD CHANCE

On yesterday's form the Malaysians stand a reasonably good chance of holding the Gutierrez Shield on Sunday. They showed a distinct advantage yesterday in their accuracy of positional shots and ability to consolidate their position whenever the lie was in their favour.

These factors and careful play rather than big coups have won them the shield before and will undoubtedly stand them in good stead again this year.

Both rinks started off evenly yesterday with each side scoring a two on the first two heads. With Landolt lying a couple on the third head, Kitchell made a good shot in resting the shot wood to score a single for his side and turn the tide of the game from then on into their favour.

Two more successive singles and a two brought the Malaysians to 7-2 before the Swiss replied with a single and a two to draw close to 5-7. The margin remained the same at 8-4 at the end of the 19th head.

Lauck was with the Malaysians on the 11th head. Although the Malaysians were lying three at this stage, Rennie Rosset drew in a beautiful first shot just behind and touching the Jack.

M. B. Hassan was a little wide but wicked off a side wood to displace the shot wood. Kitchell added a second shot to put his side back into a commanding 10-6 lead.

A two on the next head put the Malaysians further ahead to 12-6. A brilliant shot by Joe Landolt on the 13th head gave the Swiss a four and put them back into the fight.

With their opponents lying a shot, and his side lying a second shot just in front of and touching the shot wood, Landolt succeeded in pushing through the shot wood with a heavy draw on his own second wood to lie three. He then added the fourth shot.

Just as quickly, however, the Swiss gave away a three on the next head. The Malayan front men piled up a close cluster of three shots on this head.

Rennie Rosset was narrow in his drive to break the head up, and was a little through with his second wood. With a possibility of the Jack being squeezed back at a 45 degree angle to give his side a possible lie of three, Landolt failed in both his drives—the first being surprisingly taken on the wrong hand and the second just missing the cluster.

Another three by the Champions put them into an 18-10 lead. With only three heads to go they conceded two singles and finished up with a three to win by 21-12.

### THE TEAMS

Malaya: A. H. Seem, I. Ali, M. B. Hassan, A. R. Kitchell (skip).

Switzerland: Leo Gaddi, Dick Rosset, C. R. Rosset, J. S. Landolt (skip).

### DRAW FOR NEXT ROUND

England v. China at Talkoo; Wales v. Scotland at Record; Persia v. Pakistan at KRCG and Malaya v. Portugal at IKFC.

The following are the representative rinks of the above countries: England—A. W. Hirst, G. C. Norman, C. Gough, D. W. Gredbury; China—J. Tang, R. Tay, F. Lee, W. Lee, S. Ling, R. Colan, R. Rosen, L. Dineen.

Scotland—R. H. Brown, P. Kennedy, R. S. Gourlay, J. McGeevie; Persia—P. Billimoria, R. K. Pavi, F. R. Kermani, M. J. Divocis.

Pakistan—A. H. Seem, I. Ali, M. B. Hassan, A. R. Kitchell, P. Billimoria, R. S. Gourlay, J. McGeevie, R. H. Brown, P. Kennedy, R. S. Gourlay, J. McGeevie.

Malaya: A. H. Seem, I. Ali, M. B. Hassan, A. R. Kitchell, P. Billimoria, R. S. Gourlay, J. McGeevie, R. H. Brown, P. Kennedy, R. S. Gourlay, J. McGeevie.

## WORLD RECORD FOR BRITAIN



The British team who broke the world record for the 6,000 Metres Relay in a race against the best Milers of Sweden and Germany at the White City, London, on September 23 — Ralph Dunkley, David Law, Gordon Pirie and Bill Nankeville.

## Peter Keenan Wants A New Contract For His Fight With Carruthers

By MALCOLM TURNER

Peter Keenan of Glasgow, British and European Bantamweight (8st. 6lbs) Champion, will not go to Sydney to fight Australia's World Champion Jimmy Carruthers on November 18 unless the present contract is scrapped.

Keenan's manager Tommy Gilmour returned last week from London.

## Home Soccer Results

London, Sept. 29.

The following were the results of Association Football matches played today:

### DIV. III (SOUTHERN)

Watford 1 Brighton 1

### DIV. III (NORTHERN)

Tranmere 2 Stockport 2

### FLUDDIT FRIENDLY

Tottenham 5 Racing C. de P. 3

### LEAGUE STANDINGS

The following are the latest English Football League standings:

### Division One

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
West Ham	11	7	2	2	21	17	16
Huddersfield	11	7	2	2	24	13	16
West Ham	11	7	2	2	21	17	16
Charlton	11	7	0	4	31	18	14
Tottenham	11	6	1	4	30	17	13
Arsenal	11	6	1	4	22	13	13
Cardiff	11	4	4	3	11	13	12
Preston	11	4	4	3	27	15	12
Blackburn	11	4	4	3	18	15	12
Bolton	11	4	4	3	18	15	12
Manchester	11	4	4	3	18	15	12
Newcastle	11	4	4	3	18	15	12
Wednesday	11	4	4	3	18	15	12
Sheff. Un.	11	4	4	3	18	15	12
Derby	11	4	4	3	18	15	12
Portsmouth	11	4	4	3	18	15	12
Sunderland	11	4	4	3	18	15	12
Reading	11	4	4	3	18	15	12
Chelsea	11	4	4	3	18	15	12
Liverpool	11	4	4	3	18	15	12
Millwall	11	4	4	3	18	15	12

### Division Two

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Everton	11	7	4	0	20	13	19
Doncaster	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
West Ham	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Leicester	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Nottingham	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Nottingham	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Lincoln	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Derby	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Blackburn	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Derby	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Bristol	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Leeds Un.	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Leeds Un.	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Luton	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Oldham	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Sheff. Wed.	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Sheff. Wed.	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Swansea	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Fulham	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Notts County	11	6	3	2	20	13	15
Brentford	11	6	3	2	20	13	15

### Division Three (South)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Norwich	12	8	4	0	20	7	20
Sheff. Wed.	12	8	4	0	20	7	20
Sheff. Wed.	12	8	4	0	20	7	20
Sheff. Wed.	12	8	4	0	20	7	20
Sheff. Wed.	12	8	4	0	20	7	20
Sheff. Wed.	12	8	4	0	20	7	20
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Sheff. Wed.	12	8	4	0	20	7	20
Sheff. Wed.	12	8	4	0	20	7	20
Sheff. Wed.	12	8	4	0	20	7	20

### Division Three (North)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Port Vale	12	8	4	0	20	7	20
Port Vale	12	8	4	0	20	7	20
Port Vale	12	8	4	0	20	7	20
Port Vale	12	8	4	0	20	7	20
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He immediately sent a cable to the Australian promoter of the fight, Police Commissioner Colin Delaney, saying that the contract was quite unacceptable and that he is posting the draft of a suggested new contract within a day or two.

Gilmour has met Teddy Waltham, General Secretary of the Boxing Board of Control, and the proposed new contract is being drawn up on the advice of the Board.

### UNSATISFACTORY

Mr. Waltham said the administrative staffs had read the contract and agreed that it contained a number of unsatisfactory conditions.

Unfortunately there is no governing authority for boxing in Australia and the promoter of the fight is reserving to himself many rights and privileges which would not be conceded to him in Britain.

### Among the conditions are:

1. If, for any reason beyond his control, it becomes "impractical" to proceed with the contest the promoter can postpone or abandon it. (There is no mention of any compensation to Keenan.)

2. The promoter will supply the scales and gloves. He may bar any second and will have the sole right to appoint the three judges and the referee.

3. Should the fight be stopped through any cause other than a knockout or throwing in of the towel, the referee may declare "no contest."

4. If Keenan wins, he must give Carruthers a return match within 90 days and must remain in Sydney until the return contest. But the promoter will not guarantee to stage the return contest. He may hand it over to others to stage it when and where they please.

5. In the return contest Keenan would not receive a larger purse than Carruthers. Each boxer would receive 25 per cent of the gate receipts.

6. The contest is not to be terminated by a low blow. If a boxer goes down from such a blow he will be counted out. A "no foul" contest, yet another clause says a contestant shall forfeit all monies if he deliberately fouls his opponent.

7. Carruthers will receive a 10 per cent advance on his purse if he wins the first fight.

### THE RESULTS

The following are the detailed results of last night's heats:

### Women's 100 yards Free Style

1st Heat: 1. M. Eger (WV); 2. T. Shilling (FOR); 3. Fung Ying Choo (CY); Time: 1 min 7.3 sec.

2nd Heat: 1. V. Giles (BY); 2. Chiu Ching-ming (FOR); 3. Yoo Yan-hui (SCA); Time: 1 min 12.3 sec.

3rd Heat: 1. S. Hewson (EOT); 2. Hung Po-land (CCSA); Time: 1 min 12.4 sec.

100 yards record held by C. Eager with 1 min 5.4 sec.

### Men's 100 yards Free Style

1st Heat: 1. Cheung Kin-man (FOR); 2. Wong Fu-man (CY); 3. Lau Yu-wat (HT); Time: 52.5 sec. (Record).

2nd Heat: 1. Lam Kwan-ear (CY); 2. Wong Kwai-ching (HT); 3. Wong Long-hoi (FOR); Time: 52.7 sec. (Record).

3rd Heat: 1. F. K. Monteiro (VRC); 2. Ip Kai (CY); 3. Wong Kam-yip (HT); Time: 56.5 sec.

100 yards record held by K. M. Cheung with 52.4 sec.

### Men's 200 yards Breast Stroke

1st Heat: 1. Tang Yui-wan (CY); 2. Yeung Yung-chai (CY); Time: 2 min 1.15 sec.

2nd Heat: 1. Lau Leung-wang (CY); 2. Wong Yung-man (HT); 3. Tong Wah-yu (CY); Time: 2 min 22.7 sec.

3rd Heat: 1. G. Liu Shu-kuen (CY); 2. Yuen Pui-chen (SPN); 3. Kwok Fung-chung (SCA); Time: 3 min 2.7 sec.

200 yards record held by K. M. Cheung with 2 min 5.4 sec.

4th Heat: 1. Lau Leung-wang (CY); 2. Wong Yung-man (HT); 3. Tong Wah-yu (CY); Time: 2 min 22.7 sec.

5th Heat: 1. G. Liu Shu-kuen (CY); 2. Yuen Pui-chen (SPN); 3. Kwok Fung-chung (SCA); Time: 3 min 2.7 sec.

200 yards record held by K. M. Cheung with 2 min 5.4 sec.

## A Diversion On Women

By DENNIS HART

Should women enter highly competitive sport? That is a question we superior men have been debating since women shocked our grandfathers by forsaking the drawing-room for the cricket lawn.

Since then our attitude has become more tolerant. But really don't we still think that a woman's place is in the home? Come on chaps, back me up.

Anyhow what does a woman have to say about what is, after all, a woman's subject? I put the question to Mrs. Gerry Wynne, captain of the Australian women's hockey team, which last week landed in England to compete in the international hockey tournament.

Brightly asserts attractive 20-year-old Mrs. Wynne, "Sport is one of the best character builders and surely women need character as much as men!"

First round to the ladies I countered with a customary anti-feminine lead. I quoted instances of the Olympic Games when women competitors were seen to display the minimum of charm in their desperate efforts to break a record.

COUNTER-REPLY Mrs. Wynne had her counter ready. "Just look around at my team," she quipped.

I looked, and looked again. In the past, mention of women hockey players has caused me to shudder. I picture amazon-like females, with freighting voices, resolutely wielding their sticks.

These ladies from Australia sm



# THE WORLD OF THE TURF WOULD PROFIT BY A ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE

Says RICHARD BAERLEIN

London.

A big need in racing is a round table conference, in which all interested in the sport could participate.

Recently the Jockey Club of America sent to their members and others interested in racing a copy of the first round table discussion on racing held at the club's New York offices.

Representatives of the club, racing officials, clerks of courses, racecourse managers, breeders, owners, trainers, jockeys and newspapermen attended the meeting.

The Jockey Club's chairman, Mr. George D. Widener, said: "The purpose of this conference is to get every element of racing together to exchange viewpoints. There is absolutely nothing official about it."

Nothing but good could come from such a meeting, which is to be repeated at regular intervals.

In this country no such meeting has so far been contemplated. Two years ago I advocated a racing board to run racing, and which was to receive, through representatives, advice and suggestions from all sections of the racing world. The Jockey Club were still to act as stewards and be in control.

If, however, the Jockey Club followed the American example and called a round table conference, even once a quarter, there would probably be no need for the racing board.

## CRITICISM

But, at present in this country, it is hard for anyone to suggest an improvement without some racecourse official taking offence and regarding it as a criticism.

We got our improvements by very slow degrees and generally ten years after they have first been mooted.

An occasional conference would help to speed any suggested improvements and at the same time we could be told who and what the opposition to them was. Then we could explain it.

## BOTTLE THUGS COME BACK TO SCOTTISH SOCCER

The banner-waving bottle-thugs came back to Scottish Soccer and 1,000 spectators fled from them in terror on to the pitch at Ibrox Park, Glasgow on Saturday, September 19.

The Rangers-Celtic Scottish League game — there have been few incidents at their recent matches — was held up while mounted police cleared the field. Nine men were arrested.

When women and girls were hurt by flying glass or as they tripped and fell in the rush away from the trouble-makers.

Early in the afternoon police climbed into the terracing to chase a number of men waving banners.

Then, near half-time, the bottles flew. And as the two teams were making for their dressing-rooms people spilled over the terracing wall and raced across the track to the field.

## SWAYED AFTER

Frightened young boys started it and those behind swayed after them.

Police patrolling the track tried to force them back. But they were submerged in the crowd as the cry grew: "Bottles!"

Mounted Inspector John Brock galloped across from the main

## KCC TENNIS FIXTURES

The KCC have announced that tennis fixtures for the period Thursday, Oct. 1 to Tuesday, Oct. 6 are:

Thursday, Oct. 1. — Men's Singles: P. Hall v. C. Oung. Ladies Singles: Miss P. Eyles v. Mrs. C. Dow.

Friday, Oct. 2. — Ladies' Singles: Mrs. J. Stokes v. Mrs. M. Ransford. Men's Doubles: K. Lo and T. Lo v. F. A. Fisher and E. T. Nash.

Monday, Oct. 5. — Mixed Doubles: Mrs. M. Williams and C. Oung v. Miss P. Eyles and A. V. White. Men's Singles: A. Augustad v. Winner: G. Eglington/F. Lonne.

Tuesday, Oct. 6. — Mixed Doubles: Mr. and Mrs. A. Augustad v. Mrs. O. Dow and F. Lonne. Men's Singles: K. Lo v. Winner: C. Oung/P. Hall.

A meeting of the tennis section to elect officers for the 1953/54 season will be held at the K.C.C. on Thursday October 8, commencing 8.15 p.m. sharp. All members of the club who are interested in tennis are requested to attend.

## IS ENOUGH MONEY SPENT ON TENNIS GIRLS?

London.

Emerging from the junior stage in lawn tennis are a bunch of youngsters who in two or three years' time may well be winning the Davis Cup for us.

Two of them, Billy Knight, 17 who has just renewed his boys' championship, and Tony Pickard, just too old to compete at junior Wimbledon, sail for Australia this week for a southern summer of competitive play.

These two, and two other boys, Michael Davies from Swansea, nearly 18, and Reg Bennett, of Bexhill, nearly two years younger, are full of promise.

So is the rather older London lad, Roger Becker, 19.

## ADVICE

My advice to Davies is this: Do not allow the routine

exercises on court to bring forth exclamations of anguish. True, certain great players have been exclamatory, but a stoical silence in face of adversity is apt to make an opponent exclaim, "Will nothing shake this fellow?" It is good self-propaganda.

Soon these youngsters must take their place in the front line of our tennis.

Next year, who for our British team? Probably Tony Mottram and Geoff Pals. Will still be the best two. But I would experiment with a side of youngsters.

## THINK AHEAD

Mottram and Pals cannot win the Cup. Neither can our "colt" players — yet. Better surely for the youngsters to win a round or two and then be beaten, than for Mottram and Pals to repeat the performance. In this business of the Davis Cup, we have to think far ahead.

What of winning the Wightman Cup from the American girls? In this, we have apparently to think a century ahead.

Don Maskell, Wimbledon professional, agreed with me that the girls at the Junior Championships were not nearly as promising as the boys — which is strange, seeing that at girls' school tennis is the No. 1 summer game, while the boys place cricket first.

Maskell thought that the poor standard of some of the girls was symptomatic of women's tennis throughout the world. Apart from in the USA, it is in a poor way. Why?

Here big questions arise concerning women's rights — in lawn tennis as in everything else. The money is not spent on them that is lavished on the much-travelled young man. A subject which, for the moment, I will shrink.

—(London Express Service)

## Boxing Trophy Presented

A magnificent gift has been made by an anonymous Merchant Service Engineer Officer. This is to be a silver shield and can be competed for at all Team Tournaments held under ABA, AIBA or ISBA Rules.

The first contesting teams will battle for the Trophy on Friday night, October 2, at 8 p.m. in the Courtyard of The Mission to Seamen. The teams will be from an H. M. Cruiser and The Royal Welch Regt. Twelve bouts are expected.

Ringside seats are still available for civilians on receipt of a subscription to the Gymnasium Fund of The Mission to Seamen and may be booked, by telephoning 74221.

Civilians who wish to become Subscription members at future tournaments are asked to write for information to The Chaplain, Missions to Seamen, 40 Gloucester Road.

At the Tournament on Friday night at 8 p.m. Lady Howe, wife of the President of the H.R.A.B. will present the Trophy and the prizes.

## SOCCER SPIVS CHASE SOUTH AFRICANS By BOB PENNINGTON

The South African footballers now on tour in England complain that they are being pestered to break their contracts and join Football League clubs.

Les Salton, 20-year-old Durban electrician, said: "Since arriving in England we've had under-the-counter approaches from mysterious gentlemen claiming to represent League clubs."

"They want us to break our agreements with the South African Football Association, under which we cannot sign as professionals for any club for at least two years."

"I have had four approaches made to me by these spivs. The rest of the lads have had similar experiences and we are fed up."

"They contact us in our hotel, while we are training at the Hendon ground, or as we leave after matches."

"ALL RATHER FURTIVE"

"It's all rather furtive... rather like the black market boys who sold petrol in South Africa when it was rationed. They never say which club they represent and when they



## The Bedser & Co. Triumphs Earn A Gift From The Days Of Spofforth & Co.

By GEORGE WHITING

It may be a case of bad timing to be writing about cricket in these darkening days of autumn, but I cannot resist passing on a warmly nostalgic piece of information I have received from a promising little cricketing country called Australia.

Recently, by dint of great perseverance and in the teeth of largely uninformed criticism, England, regained the mythical "Ashes" from these Australians — and I now hear that the stirring events of 1953 are to be marked by the gift of a next-door-to-priceless memento to the MCC at Lord's.

The news comes from London-born merchant banker Sam Currota, of Double Bay, Sydney, who, between spells of globe-trotting and trust-busting, manages to insert well-nourished fingers into the several sporting pies of his adopted Australia.

## PRICELESS RELIC

Says Samuel: "Photostats of a priceless relic of the 1882 Australian Test team are being sent to Prince Philip for inclusion in the Imperial Cricket Museum at Lord's."

"They are copies of the Articles of Association of the team, bearing the signatures of such personalities as W. L. Murdoch, Fred Spofforth, Hugh Massie, Sam Jones, Alex Bannerman and George Giffen."

"It was this team who made the 'Ashes' on August 30, 1882, after the team had beaten England by seven runs at The Oval, and Spofforth had earned the title of 'Demon', the London Sporting Times published their now famous 'Ashes' notice: 'In affectionate remembrance of English cricket.'"

## LOCKED AWAY

"I got to hear (continues Currota) that these Articles of

Association were in the possession of a Sydney city council officer, Trevor Lawrence, a descendant of C. W. Beal, manager of the 1882 team. They had been locked away in the strongroom at Paddington Town Hall."

"I got Mr Lawrence's permission to offer them to Prince Philip, and I have been honoured by a reply. Prince Philip and the MCC asked for photostats, and for a loan of the original document during the 1958 England-Australia Tests in England. Copies will be sent to Prince Philip."

"The eight-page document left nothing to chance — proscribing penalties for drunkenness and failure to practise, and demanding a £100 payment from any member of the team resigning."

## GOOD SHOW!

Now isn't that nice of Mr Currota? Incidentally, the photostats have arrived in the safe keeping of Miss Diana Hall-Kerr, the MCC Curator. Everybody at Lord's is expressing delight, and is looking forward to receiving the original document when the Australians drop in on us again in 1956. Good show, chaps.

## 'HOMICIDE?' NO!

Mr Ernest Neville, Honorary General Secretary of the Road Runners Club, does not take kindly to criticism of the London-Brighton-London marathon. A natural enough reaction — Mr Neville being actively concerned in the organisation of a race described as highway homicide.

"Present-day long-distance runners run about 100 miles per week," he writes. "They do not drop out of the London-to-Brighton race as you allege. In 1951, 32 out of 47 starters completed the journey; in 1952, 38 out of 48."

"Nature will not, as you claim, take English runners out of a 100-mile race. It will preserve them. Running or walking 100 miles never injured any fit man."

Well, we shall see. The Brighton-and-back performance is listed for October 17.

## BY GEORGE...

Bowls player to golfer: "I tried your game once, but never again. Why, at one time I found myself a mile and a half from the bar."

—(London Express Service)

## NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Special Cash Sweep on the Kwangtung Handicap Saturday, 10th October, 1953.

Tickets in the above at \$2.00 each may be obtained at the Cash Sweep Offices of the Club at: Queen's Bldg., Chater Road 5 D'Aguiar Street 882 Nathan Road, Kowloon

Over 800,000 tickets sold to date.

By Order of the Stewards, H. MIRA, Secretary.

## Joe Lucy Outpoints McGovern

London, Sept. 29.

Joe Lucy, of Mile End, London, won the vacant British lightweight boxing title here tonight when he outpointed Tommy McGovern, of Bermondsey, London, a former champion, over 15 rounds at the Empress Hall.

Frank Johnson, of Manchester, forfeited the title when he was overweight for his fight with Lucy last June.

A large section of the crowd booed the decision, but there could be no doubt that Lucy deserved his victory.

**MASK OF BLOOD**  
At the end of the fight, McGovern, his face a red mask of blood, had both eyes almost closed from the pummelling his face had received from Lucy's right jab.

McGovern, at 29 is six years older than his rough-paw opponent and this began to tell as the contest progressed.

In addition, McGovern must have felt the effects of his 40 minutes' "workout" in order to make the nine pounds possible limit at the weight-in during the afternoon.

Then, he had his finger nails and toe nails out, did a long spell of sleeping and spent some time being massaged under the rays of a heat lamp to get off a mere two ounces.

Lucy made the weight at nine stone nine pounds exactly — Reulir.

## Drobny To Play For British Team Against France

London, Sept. 29.

Jaroslav Drobny, this year's Wimbledon runner-up and former Davis Cup player, will play for the British side in a lawn tennis match between the International Clubs of Britain and France starting at the Queen's Club in London on Friday.

The British team will comprise of Tony Mottram, Geoffrey Pals, Jaroslav Drobny, Gerald Oakley, Tony Starte, Eric Filby and C. F. Lister.

This will be the 36th match between the two clubs. Of the matches played France has won 20 and Britain 9, the others being drawn — France-Press.

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

FIRST RACE MEETING  
(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)  
Saturday, 10th October and Monday, 12th October, 1953.

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 22 RACES  
The First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. on the 1st Day and the First Race run at 2.00 p.m. On the 2nd Day the First Race will be run at 11.30 a.m. and the First Race run at 12.00 noon. The fifth interval is after the Fourth Race (1.30 p.m.).

The Secretary's office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m. on the 1st day and at 10.00 a.m. on the 2nd day.

**MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE**  
NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED.  
All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him.

Timings will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 72811).

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western standard.

**PUBLIC ENCLOSURE**  
The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS & REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

**SERVANTS**  
Servants must remain in their employer's boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths in the Members' Betting Hall.

**CASH SWEEPS**  
The cost of a Through Ticket is \$44.00. Through Tickets reserved for this meeting but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 9th October, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

There will be a Special Cash Sweep on the Kwangtung Handicap to be run on the 1st Day. The cost of each ticket is \$2.00.

Cash Sweep Tickets may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building, (Chater Road), 5, D'Aguiar Street and 882 Nathan Road, until 10.00 a.m. on both days.

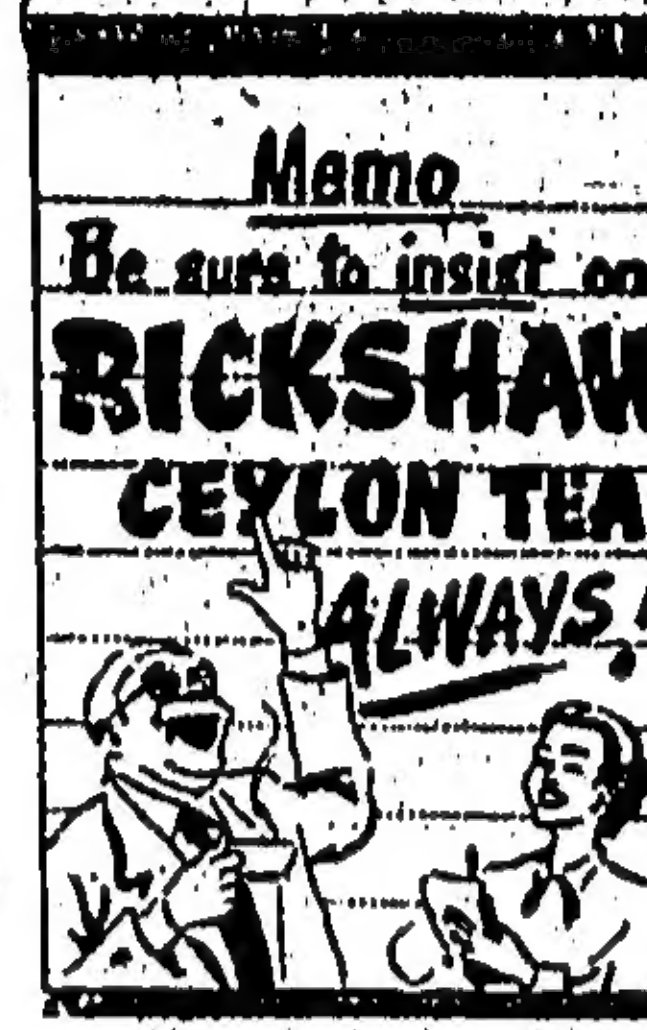
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To Europe	Leaves Keelung	Leaves H.K.	For
"COURSEULLES"	5 Oct.	6 Oct.	↑
"AURAY"	30 Oct.	1 Nov.	↑
"TRAQUADY"	16 Nov.	17 Nov.	↑

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## The Rubber Markets

Singapore, Sept. 29.  
The market eased in the morning and turned slightly better in the afternoon with some trade support.  
Closing prices were as follows:

No. 1 rubber per lb.	Oct. 63-63 1/2
Nov.	63 1/2-63 3/4
Dec.	63 3/4-63 1/2
No. 2 rubber per lb.	Oct. 63 1/2-63 1/4
Nov.	63 1/4-63 1/2
Dec.	63 1/2-63 1/4
No. 3 rubber per lb.	Oct. 63 1/4-63 1/2
Nov.	63 1/2-63 1/4
Dec.	63 1/4-63 1/2
Blanket crepe	63 1/2-63 1/4
No. 1 pale crepe	63 1/2-63 1/4

**LONDON MARKET**  
London, Sept. 29.  
The rubber market was easier with the No. 1 RSS spot quoted at 18 1/2, a new low for the year. Closing prices were as follows:

Settlement House Terms	18 1/2-18 3/4
Nov.	18 1/2-18 3/4
Dec.	18 1/2-18 3/4
Jan./March	18 1/2-18 3/4
April/June	18 1/2-18 3/4
July/Sept.	18 1/2-18 3/4

**NEW YORK MARKET**  
New York, Sept. 29.  
Rubber futures closed one point higher to 10 points lower with sales of 50 contracts.

Half the business was represented in exchanges of December contracts for other positions. In the spot market, dealers quoted spot No. 1 RSS at 22 1/2 cents per pound. A fair factory business was reported done in the No. 3 and No. 4 sheets.

**AMSTERDAM MARKET**  
Amsterdam, Sept. 29.  
The rubber market was quiet. Closing prices:

No. 1 rubber per lb.	122 nom.
No. 2 rubber per lb.	120 nom.
No. 3 rubber per lb.	117 nom.
No. 4 rubber per lb.	116 nom.

## EDUCATION BILL IN S. AFRICA

Capetown, Sept. 29.  
The South African House of Assembly (Lower House) today passed the third reading of a bill to transfer control of native education from the provincial councils of the Union to the Minister of Native Affairs.

The United (opposition) Party moved an amendment during the committee stage that native education be placed under the control of the Department of Education and not the Department of Native Affairs.

Opposition speakers said the Bantu Education Bill was resented by native opinion throughout the country.

The Minister of Native Affairs, Dr. H. F. Verwoerd, replying to the debate, said that by representing the bill as an oppressive measure the opposition had sown suspicion in the native mind.

The Government, he added, was convinced that the bill was the right thing in the interest of native education and of South Africa.—Reuter.

**LONDON TIN MARKET**  
London, Sept. 29.  
The tin market was firm but quiet. Turnover was 25 tons of which five tons were for cash.

Closing prices were as follows:

Spot, tin, buyers	012 1/2
Spot, tin, sellers	012 1/2
Business	012 1/2
Three-month tin, buyers	012 1/2
Three-month tin, sellers	012 1/2
Business	012 1/2
Settlement	012 1/2

# Seasonal Demand For Dollars Main Cause Of The Sterling Rate's Trend

**Disposal Of Farm Surplus Discussed**  
Washington, Sept. 29.  
The Agricultural Secretary, Mr. Ezra T. Benson, and President Eisenhower today discussed ways of getting started as soon as possible on a multi-million dollar programme for selling surplus farm goods overseas.

The Secretary of Treasury, Mr. George Humphrey, and the Foreign Operations Administrator, Mr. Harold E. Stassen, also attended the White House conference.

The meeting followed complaints by an American Farm Bureau Federation spokesman that the Administration "is dragging its feet" on the programme which Congress authorised last July.

The Law authorised the Administration to sell up to \$250,000,000 worth of surplus farm crops to foreign countries.—United Press.

**Meeting Of Red Trade Unions**  
Vienna, Sept. 29.  
Headquarters of the Communist-dominated World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU) announced today that the workers of Japan and India would be represented by several delegates at the WFTU Congress here next month.

The Japanese delegation would probably be 12 strong, some of them members of the Shoyu Trade Union Federation. The party committee for the Congress had been set up in several parts of the country which collected funds to finance the delegates' journey to Vienna.—Reuter.

## Possible Effect Of Setback In Business In U.S.

By Sydney S. Campell  
Reuter's Financial Editor

In the last resort, a setback in U.S. business would raise the question of exchange rates—at least the question of wider fluctuations if not of devaluations. Surprisingly, the International Monetary Fund, writing apparently in July when there was hardly a cloud on the horizon, mentioned that the appropriate internal measures may sometimes have to be supplemented by "exchange depreciation."

It seemed queer to see the IMF even guardedly and contingently mentioning devaluation. Perhaps it was thinking of France. Even with the clouds that have since gathered on the western horizon, it seems out of the question for sterling which, at its present exchange rate, is not over-valued but greatly under-valued.

As affecting the prospects for movements of money, hot or other, it is relevant that sterling is under-valued in prices of securities as well as in prices of goods. One reason why London Stock Exchange has held strong in the face of Wall Street's weakness is that British industrial equities—at 25 per cent above their 1935 average while the change in the value of money since 1935 has sent general prices to more like 250 per cent above their 1935 average—are about the cheapest assets in the world.

Sterling's troubles are not that in scrip. They are that the British economy is too rigid; the reserves are too small; and the liabilities too large.

The western storm, if there is to be one, would blow along the line of least resistance to inflation. The IMF seems to think that modern civilisation is constitutionally prone to inflation. "In the modern world," it says, "there are many forces, both economic and social, that seem likely for many years to come to foster a climate of opinion in which it will always be easy to generate new inflationary forces." As to policy in the event of a recession, the late Lord Keynes said that the days have gone when any country can be expected to try to make the internal level of employment, wages and prices fluctuate wildly around the external value of its currency instead of the other way round. The IMF Annual Report says much the same thing, less elegantly.

The danger for the non-dollar currencies is that the U.S. under a Republican Administration might be for less Keynesian than some other countries. Among U.S. Republicans, Keynesianism is a term of abuse. Alarmed by the possibilities of a recession and of its political repercussions, U.S. Treasury Secretary Humphrey and Deputy Secretary Burgess have run away from their funding policy which is now to be applied only "gradually and at opportune times." But they are still emphatically "sound money" men. Every one of their speeches still dilates on the need for "sound money, honest money, good money"—Reuter.

**NOT A WORRY**  
In a recession, or perhaps even in no more than a technical Wall Street setback, funding is the one thing that the U.S. Treasury need not worry about. Admittedly, its efforts to lengthen the U.S. national debt have so far been a joke. On July 1, 1952, maturities of marketable securities within one year amounted to \$45 1/2 billion. On July 1, 1953, after a determined Republican drive to lengthen the debt, the one-year marketable maturities amounted to \$64 1/2 billion—and even the recent operation only pushes a fraction of them 3 1/2 years forward whereas any real funding ought to put them off for at least five years. But any fool can fund in a slump money becomes unemployed and asks nothing better than any kind of securities that the Treasury will let it have. Even in something much short of a slump, the Treasury is offering so much short-term money, by people who want a temporary home for that it can afford to forget about funding.

In practice, in a slump, the U.S. would be forced into more Keynesianism than any other country—regardless of Republican doctrine or of Congress's rather preposterous telling on the public debt. It has been reckoned that a quite moderate recession might throw up a U.S. budget deficit of \$23 billion. That would be more "inflation" than any other country would have, and in the end the dollar might in fact fare worse than any other major currency. The uncertainty is what would happen first, if Britain, for example, were trying to soften the impact of a recession by softening money while the U.S. was still trying to be tough, even if in retreat. Republican doctrine and the public debt ceiling militate strongly against any early or voluntary U.S. resort to "counter-cyclical" policy (begging the question of whether the recipes for smoothing the trade cycle would in fact work if they were needed). Whatever might be done by tax cuts and other devices, nothing much can be hoped from public works.—Reuter.

# Dumping Worries Canada Japan Wants To Buy U.S. Wheat

**Ottawa, Sept. 29.**  
A behind-the-scenes struggle is looming in Canada's newly-elected Parliament over demands for an amendment to the Canadian Customs Act to tighten up on the dumping of imports, especially textiles from the United States.

The Canadian textile industry has been complaining bitterly about a growing flood of United States cotton, rayon and nylon fabrics, women's and children's dresses and other textile products at prices which, they claim, are uncompetitive in Canada.

Other manufacturers are adding their voices to attack other allegedly unfairly priced imports.

The textile manufacturers claim that products which are being sold in Canada at prices below their own Canadian-made goods are being "dumped" by United States exporters through evasion of a "fair market value" provision in the Customs Act.

One of the great difficulties in the way of any change in the Customs Act is that it would require the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade which is coming up for review during the present session of signatories in Geneva, Canada, as well as all the big trading nations of the world except Germany, Japan, Russia and the satellites, are signatories to this agreement, which is aimed at improving international trade.

The Canadian Government is being badgered by textile manufacturers and others for action against the alleged "dumping" but is very reluctant to take any action. Canada is regarding the matter as a domestic problem rather than as a trade issue.

During the last year or so in fact the improvement has been greater than is perhaps always realized.

For the first time since the war the sterling area has earned a steady surplus of dollars at a time when prices generally have been falling.

And this has meant that the value of the reserve has been rising even faster than its volume.

Provided there is no great change in the general level of world production and world trade, there seems no reason why this steady rise should not continue.

Though defence aid will fall away in the next months, payment for the offshore orders that have already been placed in Europe will soon take its place.

**WORLD TRADE**  
Looking back, it can now be seen that sterling has strengthened so much that, without external assistance, it has been possible to make it much more widely available for the finance of international trade.

The British Government has been able to press forward with its programme of freeing commodity markets. This in itself is an encouraging and important by-product of internal stability.

There are, however, two unanswered questions hanging over the future; and these, now that a fall has taken place, may easily prevent sterling returning to the upper limit of permissible dealings, at least for the moment.

The first of these is bound up with the outlook for the American economy. In spite of the behaviour of Wall Street, a strong body of opinion in America seems once again inclined to postpone the recession which everyone has been expecting.

But is it right? And if it is wrong what would be the effect of such a recession on the sterling area's dollar balance and on the reserves?

**REALISM NEEDED**  
What has undoubtedly sustained world trade in the last few months has been the very high level of production in America.

Secondly, it is now clear that the likelihood of the sterling areas receiving help from the American Administration, either by "trade, not aid" or more directly by a loan, is no longer something for the immediate future.

With the best will in the world nothing can be expected until the autumn of 1954—if then.

With reassessment of the situation will the sterling area countries make in the light of this knowledge? What plans are they laying to keep the reserve rising over the next year?

These are questions which the Commonwealth Finance Conference will have to discuss and if possible settle when it meets early next year—that is, if it is granted the further breathing-space to do so.

Since the strength of sterling depends on confidence as much as on actual movements of trade and of money, much will depend on whether this conference then appears to the outside world to be setting about its business in a realistic spirit.

**Exchange Rates**  
Disputed was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per £1)	105 1/2
Sterling notes (per £1)	105 1/2
Indian rupee (per £1)	35 1/2
Indonesian盾 (per £1)	25 1/2
Singapore dollar (per £1)	25 1/2
Indo-China piastre (per £1)	25 1/2

**London Foreign Exchange**  
London, Sept. 29.  
New York 252 1/2-253 1/2  
Amsterdam 102 1/2-103 1/2  
Brussels 102 1/2-103 1/2  
Copenhagen 102 1/2-103 1/2  
Hamburg 102 1/2-103 1/2  
Paris 102 1/2-103 1/2  
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Zurich 102 1/2-103 1/2  
Swiss franc 102 1/2-103 1/2  
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United Press.

**JAPANESE BONDS**  
London, Sept. 29.  
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